

Don't get alarmed; no wire famine yet; Darrough has sold 5 cars but has plenty yet

Cherokee Wild Flowers.

By MARION SHERWOOD LAHMAN.

Any student of nature who explores the country round about Vinits must be impressed with the variety and beauty of the wild flowers. From early April to late October the prairies are an ever changing kaleidoscope of color, while the woodlands hold an equally interesting if less brilliant flora. Before we fairly realize that winter is over, the dog-tooth violet, spring beauty, and anemone are blooming in woods and sheltered places; while one need not go beyond one's own dooryard to observe the tiny lavender stars of bluets, or the ubiquitous false garlic whose white lily like clusters deserve a better name. The latter plant is remarkable for its period of bloom, beginning in April, bearing profusely for a month and more sparingly until late summer. Among the early spring flowers should be numbered violets, Solomon's seal, strawberry plum, phlox, blackberry, red bud, whitebush, the peculiar bloom of the paw-paw, dogwood, yellowed grass and blue eyed grass, which are no grasses at all but members of the lily family.

A little later come the showy red verberna, pale spiked verberna, yellow and red oxalis, mallow, Venus' glass, corydalis, wild onion, larkspur, foxglove, milkweed, spider lily, rose, wild hyacinth, buttercup, primrose, aster, hoary pea and a host of others. In summer and autumn the composite family is much in evidence. Great masses of coreopsis, goldenrod and asters make the roadsides gay. Cone flowers, black-eyed susans and rudbeckias are everywhere.

Notable among this host of yellow bloom is the beautiful blue sage, a close relation of the cultivated salvia of our gardens. Indeed many of these wild flowers equal the cultivated ones bearing the same names, in size and color. A new comer is inclined to believe that the large red verberna growing by the road has escaped from some garden, or that the masses of coreopsis have been sown by man. The oxalis, foxglove and larkspur are other rivals of their cultivated sisters.

Besides the indigenous flora there are many plants particularly noxious weeds like the clover which have been introduced by railroads. Burs clinging to cattle and smaller seed in hay are fruitful travelers which soon add to the flora along tracks and in stock pastures. It may be due to the fact that there is more cattle transportation in the Indian Territory than in Oklahoma that the flora of this country bears a greater resemblance to that of Kansas and Illinois than do the flowers of Oklahoma, although climate and soil must play an important part.

A catalogue of all the wild flowers of the Cherokee Nation, before it ceases to be a nation, and before the natural prairie pastures have been plowed into farm lands thus bringing the destruction of some of the old flora and the introduction of new weeds—such a catalogue should be made and preserved in the interest of science.

Below is a partial list of the showy flowered plants, no account being taken of trees, grasses, etc.

- 1 violet (large purple)
- 2 violet (small pale blue)
- 3 violet (yellow)
- 4 violet (white)
- 5 violet birdsfoot
- 6 dogtooth violet
- 7 spring beauty
- 8 anemone
- 9 rosbud
- 10 dogwood
- 11 white thorn
- 12 plum
- 13 pawpaw
- 14 locust
- 15 yellow primrose
- 16 buttercup
- 17 even primrose
- 18 St. John's wort
- 19 mandrake
- 20 cupbottle
- 21 false dandelion
- 22 hyacinth
- 23 climbing pea
- 24 bluets
- 25 cress
- 26 dodder
- 27 morning glory
- 28 wild petunia

- 29 thistle
- 30 ragweed
- 31 white aster
- 32 phlox (pale)
- 33 phlox (dark)
- 34 mallow
- 35 specularia
- 36 spike verberna
- 37 red verberna
- 38 psoralea
- 39 alsike
- 40 red clover
- 41 lobelia
- 42 hoary pea
- 43 horse nettle
- 44 milk weed
- 45 mustard
- 46 dog fennel
- 47 larkspur
- 48 goldenrod, small
- 49 May weed
- 50 poison hemlock
- 51 rose
- 52 spider lily
- 53 corydalis
- 54 everlasting
- 55 blue-eyed grass
- 56 yellow-eyed grass
- 57 wild chicory
- 58 small sage
- 59 blackberry
- 60 white pulse
- 61 prairie weed
- 62 yellow composite
- 63 cranesbill
- 64 false garlic
- 65 wild onion
- 66 shepherd's purse
- 67 pepper grass
- 68 smart weed
- 69 coreopsis
- 70 purple aster
- 71 jewel weed
- 72 black-eyed Susan
- 73 resin weed
- 74 blue sage
- 75 fox glove
- 76 Indian tobacco
- 77 rudbeckia
- 78 yellow dock
- 79 poke berry
- 80 Jamestown weed
- 81 blazing star, small
- 82 blazing star, large
- 83 goldenrod coarse
- 84 goldenrod pale
- 85 cow pea
- 86 silk weed
- 87 false lettuce

Note: Those from 30 to 68 inclusive were exhibited by the Entomological Club on May 23rd.

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For Crap Shooting.

Five arrests on the charge of shooting craps were made by U. S. marshals today and five pleas of guilty entered in Judge Stanfield's court. They were each fined \$10 and costs \$13.35 each. This is considerable revenue and ought properly to go to the city, but the city officials either neglect or refuse to make the arrests and Commissioner Stanfield has undertaken to enforce the law. More than a dozen cases of similar character have come before the Commissioner within the last week.

Quick Arrest.

J. A. Gullidge of Verberna, Ala., was twice in the hospital from a severe case of piles causing 24 tumors. After doctors and all remedies failed, Bucklen's Arnica Salve quickly arrested further inflammation and cured him. It conquers aches and kills pain. 25c at Peoples drug store. dw

Sacred Heart Institute.

The Sacred Heart Institute closed last night. The exercises were not public; no one was present except Father Charles, sisters and children. Four gold medals were awarded as follows: General Excellence—Willie Lemon General Excellence—Miss Cora Welch Christian Doctrine—Edward Miller Arithmetic—Miss Blanche Evans Music—Miss Cora Welch. After the exercises the children enjoyed an ice cream party and went home well pleased.

What is Foley's Kidney Cure?

Answer: It is made from a prescription of a leading Chicago physician, and one of the most eminent in the whole country. The ingredients are the purest that money can buy, and are scientifically combined to get their utmost value. Sold by Shanahan & Mitchell. dw

Mass Meeting.

There will be a mass meeting of citizens at the United States court room tomorrow (Friday) evening at 8:30 o'clock to hear report of committee appointed to raise the \$50,000 railroad bonds.

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Another Burglary.

A. C. Patterson's residence was broken into last night with the evident intent of robbery. The wire screen on the back side of the house was cut and the window broken. Mr. Patterson returned about ten p. m. and it is believed the burglars took fright and made a hasty retreat. Nothing was missed.

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THE ODDS IN POLICY.

There is No Game of Alleged Chance with Percentage So Great Against the Player.

"Twenty million is a conservative estimate of the yearly sum poured into the coffers of a policy company by the poor of the United States in their efforts to 'beat' another man's game," said a man who knows the inside workings of the scheme, reports the Detroit Free Press.

"When you take into consideration that most of the plays are a nickel in both books, which means that the sum is split in half, you can readily figure out that the plays aggregate easily 100,000,000 in the course of a year.

"Profit," echoed the speaker with a laugh; "why, it is about 80 per cent. or in the neighborhood of \$16,000,000 for one concern, which has its headquarters in New York and operates in nearly every town of any size in the country."

There is a popular fallacy to the effect that policy was originated by the negroes, and found its way north from below the Mason and Dixon line shortly after the war. An instant's study of policy and the fine mathematical problems which it contains will forever abrogate such an idea; it is absurd.

As a matter of fact, some time during the reign of Frederick the Great, a Prussian, who was long on figures and short of coin, set his wits to work and evolved the apparently simple and yet decidedly intricate gambling game of policy.

It is played to-day the same as when the testy king took the revenue derived from this source for "royal police protection" and added new giant recruits to the famous bodyguard.

So far as the writer knows, there is no game of alleged chance where the percentage is so great against the player. Some idea of the profits of the policy game may be gleaned from the following figures, which several ex-writers pronounce 60 per cent. below the "mark." They indicate the profit of one day's drawing:

New York	2,000
Philadelphia	2,000
Chicago	2,000
Boston	500
St. Louis	500
Baltimore	500
Detroit	500
Pittsburg	500
Cleveland	500
New Orleans	500
Fifty other cities	5,000
Total	\$12,500

This is a 30 per cent. estimate of the profits of one day's play in 60 cities where the policy evil is robbing the poor and ignorant.

DOG THAT CAUGHT FISH.

"Rex" Was Having a Good Time Taking Them Out. But Was Punished for His Fun.

Last summer I took my big collie Rex and went up in the Catskill mountains to a big hotel where lots of people came to enjoy the fishing near by. Right past the house ran a brook, in which people could catch trout, but this brook belonged to the hotel keeper, and only the guests of the hotel were allowed to fish in it, says a writer in the Washington Star.

Rex liked to go out walking with me in the woods. Sometimes he would catch a squirrel or a woodchuck, and one day I discovered that this naughty doggie knew how to catch other things besides.

I was sitting down upon a fallen log near the trout brook. Rex had just run off after a squirrel, and so I was all alone. Pretty soon I heard a crashing noise in the tree, and I began to get scared, for I was afraid it might be a tramp. Then a man came striding through the bushes and I was very glad to find it was Mr. Wardell, one of the hotel people.

"Miss Lynn," he said, "do you know what Rex is doing?"

"Not what?" I asked.

"Catching fish, ma'am; just come and see."

He carefully helped me over the fallen logs till we came out on the bank of the stream. And what do you think I saw?

Rex was standing on some flat stones in the middle of the brook, looking down into the water. On a stone beside him lay four or five dead trout. As he watched his head suddenly shot forward, his jaws snapped quickly; then he lifted a trout in the air, gave it a little shake, and laid it down on the pile.

"The rascal," I cried. "Come here, Rex." And he came trotting gayly through the water. He never looked back for the fish. He had only caught them for fun. Mr. Wardell promised not to tell the hotel keeper, then we whipped Rex and tied a dead trout to his collar to remind him of his naughtiness. My, how ashamed he looked. Since that time Rex has never touched a fish, not even one that was cooked.

Poor Business Men.

Some men take up a dollar's worth of time over a nickel's worth of business.—Washington (La.) Democrat.

A Matter of Whose Friend.

Blockhardt—Yes; I once thought of going on the stage, but friends dissuaded me.

Knocker—Friends of the stage, I presume?—Baltimore American.

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